

CONTRACT FOR HARBOR WORK SIGNED

Hawaiian Dredging Company Is
Ready to Start in on
\$125,000 Job.

WORK TO BEGIN IN JANUARY

Contract Is to Dredge 150,000
Yards From Bottom of the
Honolulu Harbor.

The Hawaiian Dredging Company on Tuesday signed the contract with Major Winslow, Corps of Engineers, U. S. A., representing the war department, to dredge the upper end of the harbor, the contract price being in the neighborhood of \$125,000 for the removal of about 150,000 yards of material, to be dumped at various locations ashore. The contract was forwarded to Washington yesterday per the steamer Hyades.

When the contract is approved and cable news to that effect is received by the engineer and the company, preparations will be made to get to work as soon as possible. The company has sixty days after the approval of the contract in which to commence operations but the company will be in a position to start by the first of the year.

The dredger Governor which is now being operated on the bar at the entrance to Pearl Harbor channel, will finish the work which can be done by that style of dredge about the end of December, and the dredger will then be brought up to Honolulu harbor and put to work on the new job.

The company will make use of the railroad track and cars and wharf material used in the former contract to clean out the harbor. Some of the material may be deposited on Sand Island and some on the Dowsett and railroad properties, which border on the harbor.

The dredger Reclamation of the Hawaiian Dredging Company which is now at work on the drydock excavation at Pearl Harbor will finish work the early part of January and about the middle of the same month the contractors will begin to put in the false crib work into which will be poured the concrete with which the interior of the basin will be lined.

COUNTERMANDED ALL ORDERS TO REJOICE

Diaz and Corral Will Take Oath
of Office Without Ceremony
—Fetes Called Off.

CITY OF MEXICO, December 1.—An eleven-hour change in the program for the inauguration of President Diaz and Vice President Corral, which takes place here today, will make of that ceremony a very simple one. Less than a week ago it was announced that the inauguration ceremonies were to be most elaborate when the veteran president would take the oath for the eighth time and his next in power would be for the first time formally installed in office. Yesterday, by a sudden countermanding of orders, all preparations for today ceased.

According to the latest orders, the oaths of office will be administered with no ceremonies at all and there will be no fetes to follow.

MACAO GARRISON SEIZES THE COLONY

MACAO, China, November 30.—The troops in the Portuguese garrison here and the crew of the gunboat Patria have revolted and are in control of this colony.

The outbreak was largely a religious one. The rebels drove the nuns from the convent here and forced the Portuguese governor to grant their demands for expulsion of all members of the religious orders.

The governor was also forced to grant demands for increased pay of the men in the army and navy service in Macao. The nuns who were driven from their convents have fled to Hongkong. The rebels are in control of the situation.

INTERESTING TO MOTHERS—HOW TO CURE COUGHS AND COLDS.

There is one subject which always interests the mothers of young children, and that is how to treat their coughs and colds, or to ward off a threatened attack of croup. For this purpose we can recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It always proves beneficial. In case of croup it should be given as soon as the croupy cough appears, so as to prevent the attack. Keep it at hand ready for instant use. Many mothers do so, and it saves them much uneasiness. For sale by all dealers. Benson, Smith & Co., agents for Hawaii.

MAYOR HAS YET SOME DOUBTS

Wants to See the Coin Before
He Agrees to Contract for the
Fort Street Pavement.

Will Mayor Fern sign the paving contract authorized by the board of supervisors on Tuesday for the paving of two blocks of Fort street? That is the present conundrum.

Mayor Fern will not hurry with his signature when the contract is presented to him by the paving company, at any rate, but will take his time and consider the matter fully.

First of all he wants a more thorough financial statement than the oral one made to the board by Supervisor Logan. The latter assured the board on Tuesday that the present board would finish its labors at the end of this month leaving a balance to the incoming board of about \$42,000. Mr. Logan used a general off-hand statement in making his report and referred often to a "clean-up" to come from the Territory. The clean-up is what remains due to the various counties at the close of the calendar year, after each county has had its pro rata every month. There might be \$10,000 or there might be only \$2,000. This year the income tax returns fell off, while the property tax increased somewhat, but the "clean-up" is a rather elastic item for consideration.

Mr. Logan used \$42,000 as a basis for what is to be the nest-egg for the next board, but the mayor and Secretary Rivenburgh claim that the clean-up has nothing to do with the present board, but that it comes within the receipts of the coming board as it may not be determined and paid over until about January 15.

So before signing a bill for paving Fort street, the mayor wants a written statement of the finances of the city and county, a document which the claim has never been prepared and submitted by the finance committee. In brief, Mayor Fern believes the finances of the county are not sufficient to permit of the paving of Fort street. He is from Missouri, however, and if he can be "shown," he may yet put his signature to the contract which may be placed before him today.

Ready to Go to Work.

Joseph Gilman, who is the active agent for the bitulible paving company, stated yesterday that the contract would be ready to be placed before the mayor today, and if signed, the company was prepared to go to work next Monday.

He states that the job can be completed in ten days at the least, and surely in two weeks at the outside. The Rapid Transit officials are to be seen by the company with regard to their track, but that will be a minor matter.

The plant is about completed, having been erected in the past thirty days on a lot adjoining the cable company's tank. The plant is up to date and is capable of turning out material at a rapid rate.

Road Men Will Petition.

The men who are employed on road work for the county felt considerably depressed yesterday when they learned that the letting of the contract for the paving of Fort street, between King and Queen streets, would throw about two hundred of them out of work just before Christmas and J. A. Neill, their foreman, said last night that his men were preparing a petition to have this job held over until after the holidays so that they may not be denied their income at this particular time. "The men have been laid off a good deal this year and they were hoping," said Neill, "to have their work continue until the end of the year. It is only a matter of three weeks and the men are all going to sign the petition which, if granted, will give them good Christmas cheer."

The \$4500 to go to Gilman for this contract, Neill said, comes out of the \$14,000 appropriation for road work, making a big hole in this small fund which will not keep the road force going very long, and in addition to this amount, he explained, the county is to furnish rock and other material, do the piping and put in the headstones which will involve an expenditure of about \$1500 more.

Neill said that the men had no kick coming over the contract being let, but they thought that their work might be continued over the holidays and the petition for this favor will be presented to the supervisors as soon as it is prepared. Neill alluded to the fact that the mules in the public service would be taken care of and given something to do to keep them from fretting and he thought the supervisors ought to be good to the men.

CHIEF JUSTICE INTIMATES HIS RESIGNATION

Chief Justice A. S. Hartwell has intimated his intention of resigning from his position on the supreme bench in a letter written to W. O. Smith, secretary of the planters' association. He will leave for San Francisco on December 5 and will go to Byron Springs on a vacation, returning on January 13. He announces that he will come to a decision regarding his resigning upon his return.

CHINESE COMMUNITY AND CHINESE CONSUL AT ODDS

Census Tax Said by Liang Kwo Ying to Be for
Education---Anti-Manchus Say It Is
Something Very Different.

Charges of graft have been preferred against the local Chinese consul in connection with the collection of a special tax of one dollar and a quarter per head for census enumeration purposes allegedly. The consul denies there is any graft, and specifies the purpose for which the money is to be collected, saying that the major part is to be used for educational purposes. The younger generation of Chinese who are natives of the Hawaiian Islands say that the charge is absurd, while many of the older and more conservative Chinese say they think there is something in the charge which should be investigated. One Chinese newspaper makes sweeping charges of graft, while another defends the consul and calls the first paper a revolutionary organ, designing to involve the consul in difficulties with his government.

The consul is also charged with having made a report to the government concerning the revolutionary sentiments of many of the Honolulu Chinese, naming those, so it is alleged, who have been the most obnoxious to him in their campaign against his census enumeration plan. According to the reports in circulation here and to a statement in the Liberty News, republished yesterday from a paper published in the Orient, the result of this has been to make trouble for the relatives of those named as revolutionists who happen to be living within Chinese jurisdiction.

Mixed up in the stories afloat is one which traces the alleged enmity of the consul toward certain Honolulu Chinese back to the time when the baggage of the consul's wife was held at the customhouse, while the United States district attorney was cabling to Washington to learn if such baggage was exempt from examination under the courtesies granted the representatives of foreign nations. The consul is said to have accused local Chinese of giving information to the effect that the trunks contained contraband.

The stories are about as mixed up as is anything Chinese to the occidental mind. The consul laughs at them, while the opposition repeat them.

Prince Hsun Figures.

The assistant editor of the Sun Chuk Kwoek Bo, a Honolulu Chinese newspaper, declared last night that the whole matter had arisen through a misunderstanding of the circumstances regarding the special tax. It appears that when the Chinese prince, Tsai Hsun, passed through Honolulu, he, in a conversation with the consul, expressed the greatest pleasure upon hearing that a grammar school for Chinese youths was to be established in Honolulu. This school is intended to educate the younger generation in the Chinese way. One teacher has already arrived from Hongkong and two others are expected in the near future. The latter two are from Yokohama, where they have been teaching in a grammar school.

The local school for Chinese is reported to be situated at the rear of Achi lane, and the institution is called the Ming Lung College. It is intended that the children attending that school will be educated in the Chinese fashion for some hours of the day; the balance of their education will be obtained at the American schools.

How Tax Was Divided.

With regard to the fund for establishing this school, it was determined that part of the tax which has been collected by the officials who are at present taking a census of the Chinese population of these islands for their home government should be devoted to the upkeep of the school. A special tax of one dollar and twenty-five cents was imposed; of this twenty cents went to the secretary who is conducting the work and the balance to the support of the school.

Some of the Chinese, according to the newspapers of the Celestials, thought that there should be no charge

for registering the Chinese population, and that the consul was grafting.

Some prominent young Chinese, who were seen with reference to the matter, declared that the whole affair has been started up by the Liberty News, a new Chinese paper that advocates the policy of the revolutionists who are at work in China. Dr. Sun Yet Sun, who is in China at present, is the head of the movement, and his brother, who is now located in British territory in the far East, is said to also have a hand in the affair.

Consul Explains.

The Chinese consul was seen yesterday afternoon, and he explained the whole affair. "A school for young Chinese is being established in Honolulu," the consul said, "and the funds for it are being derived from the special charge that has been made for registering the Chinese of Hawaii. Women and children do not pay anything; neither do old men. Only young men of over twenty years of age pay the dollar and a quarter fee. One dollar of this amount is devoted to the upkeep of the school."

"Prince Tsai Hsun, while in Honolulu, spoke to me about the school and the scheme for educating young Chinese in the way of the old country. The prince was very pleased with the idea, and he said that if the fund from the special tax was not enough to carry the scheme through an appeal to the board of education in China, would surely bring more money. I am surprised to hear about this 'graft' talk, and wish The Advertiser would tell all about the affair."

As assertions had also been made by some local Chinese to the effect that relatives of "revolutionists" are being persecuted back in China on account of their "cousins' conduct in Hawaii, the consul was asked about the truth of the story.

"No truth in such statements," replied the consul. "All this talk is caused by the different societies warring among themselves. There is always some kind of trouble going on between the tong."

Where Is the Authorization?

One of the most prominent Chinese in the local colony was interviewed on the subject. He is rather disinclined to talk about the matter and referred to the columns of the Liberty News which he said had printed yards of statements concerning the proposed census.

However, he admitted that the whole matter appealed to him much as it had to the Liberty News. First of all the consul had authorized a census and the payment of the \$1.25 per head. The consul had told those who had conferred with him that twenty cents was to go to the secretary making out the certificate and five cents as expenses for the consulate's expense. As to the remaining dollar there seemed to be an indefinite idea as to what would become of it, but the consul told those who inquired that it would be sent to one of the Chinese officials in China.

It was this indefinite status of the one dollar which threw cold water on the proposition, which was not received with any degree of enthusiasm, particularly among the older people, or the conservative element and those in business. The project did not turn out successfully, so the prominent Chinese stated yesterday, and then it was that the consul said something about devoting the \$1 per head toward education and establishing a Chinese school, where the Chinese language would be taught only.

"But," said the Chinese, "if the consul had any authorization from his government to cause a census of the Chinese in Hawaii to be taken, why did he not post that authorization? He was asked to post it and advertise it so that all the people could know that the request for the \$1.25 was official. That has never been done and I do not know of any one who has seen such an authorization. I would say that the whole matter appears to be somewhat queer, or, well, not quite correct."

INSANITY MAY BE CLAIM OF DEFENSE

The preliminary examination of William McQuaid, charged with assault to kill Volney C. Driver commenced yesterday morning in the police court and resulted in the commitment of the defendant to the circuit court if indicted by the grand jury.

Enough evidence was brought out to indicate that temporary insanity will be the defense chosen by the attorneys of McQuaid when the actual trial commences in the criminal department of the circuit court. Motorman Osman of the Rapid Transit car through which Driver dived at the time he was shot in the back was the principal witness and was followed by the attending physician.

Cathcart conducted the prosecution and E. A. Doubhitt conducted the defense, assisted by Attorney Cooke and Judge Stanley. McQuaid was later released on a \$3000 bond.

LUNA DONALD OF LAUPAHOEHOE KILLED

The Star yesterday received a wireless from Hilo to the effect that William Donald, luna of the Laupahoehoe Sugar Company, while riding on the county road yesterday, fell with his horse from the road into the gulch below. His body was washed out to sea and has not been recovered.

ROBBER CONVICTED ON SHORT NOTICE

Successful conviction of Leong Ledi-sima on a charge of robbery in the first degree attended upon the investigations of Harry Lake who was sent down to Aiea to inquire into the case after the country police had charged him with burglary in the second degree. The case took but a short time to try and ten minutes of deliberation satisfied the jury's mind as to his guilt. He was accused by Mrs. Louis Landero of breaking into her room armed with a Filipino knife and after flourishing it before her and threatening to kill her if she made outcry, slashed the fastenings of the trunk and stole from it \$75 and a valuable ring. He then tried to set fire to it and succeeded, ed, pouring coal oil over its contents and reducing clothes and trunk to ashes. The man is a Filipino with Chinese blood in him. Judge Cooper set his case for sentence for this morning, his offense carrying a maximum of life imprisonment.

AUSTRALIA HAS 4,500,000.

WASHINGTON, November 17.—Advance estimates of the population of the commonwealth of Australia made by the federal statistician, place the total number of people in the six States at 4,474,000, according to consular reports received here. The taking of the decennial census will be begun on April 1, 1911, and, allowing for a normal increase before that date, the population is expected to reach 4,500,000. This would represent an increase during the last decade of about 725,000.

SHRINERS' TRIP A GREAT EVENT

Honolulu Excursionists Will Be
Biggest Men of American
Shrinedom.

Babbling over with enthusiasm regarding the prospects for Imperial Potentates' Pilgrimage, by which title the Shriners' excursion to Honolulu in February is known, and thoroughly pleased at being back himself in the Paradise of the Pacific, James S. McCandless, "Sunny Jim," has already imparted a great part of his own enthusiasm to the town. Until Mr. McCandless began to tell about what a distinguished body of men Honolulu would have the honor of entertaining, the Shriners' excursion had been lumped in with the others to arrive about the same time. Now, however, Honolulu, whether Shriners or not, are beginning to take notice that something decidedly out of the ordinary is to take place.

"There will be no trouble to fill the steamer," says Mr. McCandless. "Our trouble is going to be that we will probably have to disappoint some of our friends by turning down their applications for room."

Only the Highest.

The invitations to join the excursion have been limited to three hundred. Out of these, it is expected that there will be one hundred and fifty acceptances. The invitations are being sent to the very select in Shrinedom, and each invitation is regarded as so important that it is being forwarded to the lucky recipient under registered mail. The ones asked to accompany Imperial Potentate Hines are the officers of the imperial council, the past imperial potentates, the emeritus members of the order and the illustrious potentates of the various shrines. No ordinary noble has a look-in, and the invitations are very plainly marked "Not Transferable." When Mr. McCandless left the Coast, already one hundred answers to the invitation had been received, and thirty had forwarded checks to insure their getting on the steamship list.

The invitations are themselves very handsome examples of the printer's art, being engraved on heavy white board of generous proportions, as follows:

ALOHA TEMPLE, A. A. O. N. M. S.,
Greetings you and takes pleasure in
extending you an invitation
to visit

HONOLULU
on the occasion of the extraordinary
festivities incident to
the official visit of
Our Imperial Potentate,
NOBLE FRED A. HINES,
from February 15th to March 7th,
inclusive.
This Invitation Not Transferable.

Enclosed with this invitation is an announcement of the plans for the trip, a handsomely printed pamphlet in colors, bearing as a frontispiece a Hawaiian scene. With this went a promotion committee circular and a cabin plan of the S. S. Wilhelmnia, chartered for the trip.

George Filmore of San Francisco is representing the imperial potentate and Aloha Temple on the Coast in this matter and is looking after the booking of the various applying dignitaries.

The Honolulu excursion is being talked of throughout all Shrinedom in the United States; the imperial potentate being himself a booster for Honolulu wherever he goes on his official work among the shrines, while Mr. McCandless has been personally conveying invitations and holding out inducements of the excursion wherever he has been during the past several months.

Just now he is busy planning out the share the visiting Shriners are to take in the Floral Parade.

PLAN TO SPEND ON NAVY \$126,046,659

The Estimates to Be Submitted
Show Cut of Eleven Million
Under This Year.

WASHINGTON, December 1.—The naval estimates for the fiscal year of 1911-12, to be submitted to congress at the coming session, have been finally revised into shape, after being curtailed in many ways. The estimates provide for the expenditures of \$126,046,659, nearly eleven million dollars less than was appropriated for the present fiscal year.

The naval estimates of some of the European powers for the current year were: Great Britain, \$100,117,517; Germany, \$85,000,000; France, \$68,580,000; Italy, \$31,927,200; Russia, \$49,000,000.

COOK SINCERE, BUT SIMPLY BUGHOUSE

NEW YORK, November 30.—Dr. Frederick J. Cook's magazine, which has persisted in support of his claim to have reached the North Pole, has issued a statement admitting that it is uncertain whether Doctor Cook reached the pole or not. It suggests that Doctor Cook was possibly driven crazy by the hardship and exposure incident to his efforts to get to the pole, but emphatically denies that he is or was a faker. It claims that his accounts of reaching the pole were written in good faith.

CUTTING DOWN ON ALL EXPENSES

WASHINGTON, November 30.—In response to the order from the President, department heads have cut their estimates for appropriations fourteen millions. President Taft has directed that they cut them still more.

WILLING TO TRAIN NAVY MEN TO FLY

Glenn H. Curtiss Offers a Course
in Aviation Free of Charge
to Government.

WILL HAVE COAST SCHOOL

Says America Laps Behind Eu-
rope in Latest Style of Naval
Aerial Tactics.

WASHINGTON, December 1.—Stating that he agreed with Brigadier-General Allen that America was far behind Europe in the matter of the development of an aerial arm of offense and defense, Glenn Curtiss, the foremost American aviator, yesterday announced his readiness to train, free of all cost to the government, a corps of naval officers in the art of aviation.

Curtiss announces that he has made this offer formally to the navy department, drawing the attention of the department to the fact established recently by a practical test that it is possible for a heavier than air machine to be launched from the deck of a vessel, the ordinary battleship or cruiser affording plenty of deck-room for a start.

Curtiss intends to establish a school of aviation at Los Angeles and it is at this school that he will train any naval officers detailed by the department.

GOVERNORS THREE TO ONE AGAINST TEDDY

LOUISVILLE, Kentucky, December 1.—Theodore Roosevelt's "New Nationalism," so far as it concerned the conservation of natural resources, was the subject of discussion at the governors' congress here yesterday. Four governors spoke on the subject, which was in order as touching the matter of uniform laws for the States. Three of the speakers came out strongly against the Roosevelt proposals, while one defended the ideas advanced in the famous Osawatimie address. It was decided that the congress, when it adjourned, would be reconvened next year in New Jersey.

U. S. STEEL MEN TO BE PENSIONED

NEW YORK, December 1.—Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the board of directors of the United States Steel Corporation, announced that the plan of pensioning the aged employees of the corporation had been perfected and would be started after the New Year.

ANOTHER CHANCE TO PROVE INNOCENCE

SAN FRANCISCO, November 30.—The supreme court has given a decision allowing Louis Glass, former president of the Pacific States Telephone Company, who was convicted and sentenced for bribing the Ruef board of supervisors, a new trial. Glass served a short time in jail, pending appeal, but has been out on bail for about two years. His conviction was the first obtained by F. J. Heney, as prosecutor of the Ruef-Schmidt grafters.

MORE POPULATION FIGURES.

WASHINGTON, November 30.—Complete figures for the population of the State of Tennessee were given out today, showing a total of 2,184,789, an increase of eight per cent since the last census.

The State of Minnesota is shown in the new census to have a population of 2,075,058, an increase of eighteen and a half per cent.

LIHUE PEOPLE HEAR SOME GOOD MUSIC

A very pleasant event at Lihue recently was the musicale given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Alexander, which was handsomely decorated for the occasion. The program was as follows: Piano duet, Beethoven's "Pastoral Symphony," Mrs. Hoffmann and Mrs. Alexander; vocal selection, "If I had a Thousand Lives," Mr. De Lacy; selection, "Kirehigang," from Lohengrin, Mrs. Rohrig; reading, "The Roman," Mrs. Fred Carter; vocal solo, "Rolling in Foaming Billows," Mr. Alexander; trio by Haydn: Mrs. Alexander, pianist; Mrs. F. L. Putnam, violinist; Mr. Alexander, cellist.

After an intermission, during which refreshments were served, the program was continued as follows: Vocal trio, "Three Blind Mice," Mrs. Hills, Mrs. Carter and Mrs. Alexander; reading, "Jud Browning on Rubenstein's Playing," Mr. Alexander; song, "The Song of the Bride," Mrs. Hills; prelude by Mr. Alexander, giving synopsis of the love scene prompting the song; "Au Bord d'un Ruissseau," Mrs. Putnam, violinist; Mrs. Rohrig, pianist; piano trio, "Knickerbocker Gavotte," Mrs. Rohrig, Mrs. Carter and Mrs. Alexander; song, "Good Evening," Mrs. Hills, Mrs. Alexander, Mr. De Lacy and Mr. Alexander.

Makaweli plantation started grinding yesterday, and McBryde plantation will start up about December 10.